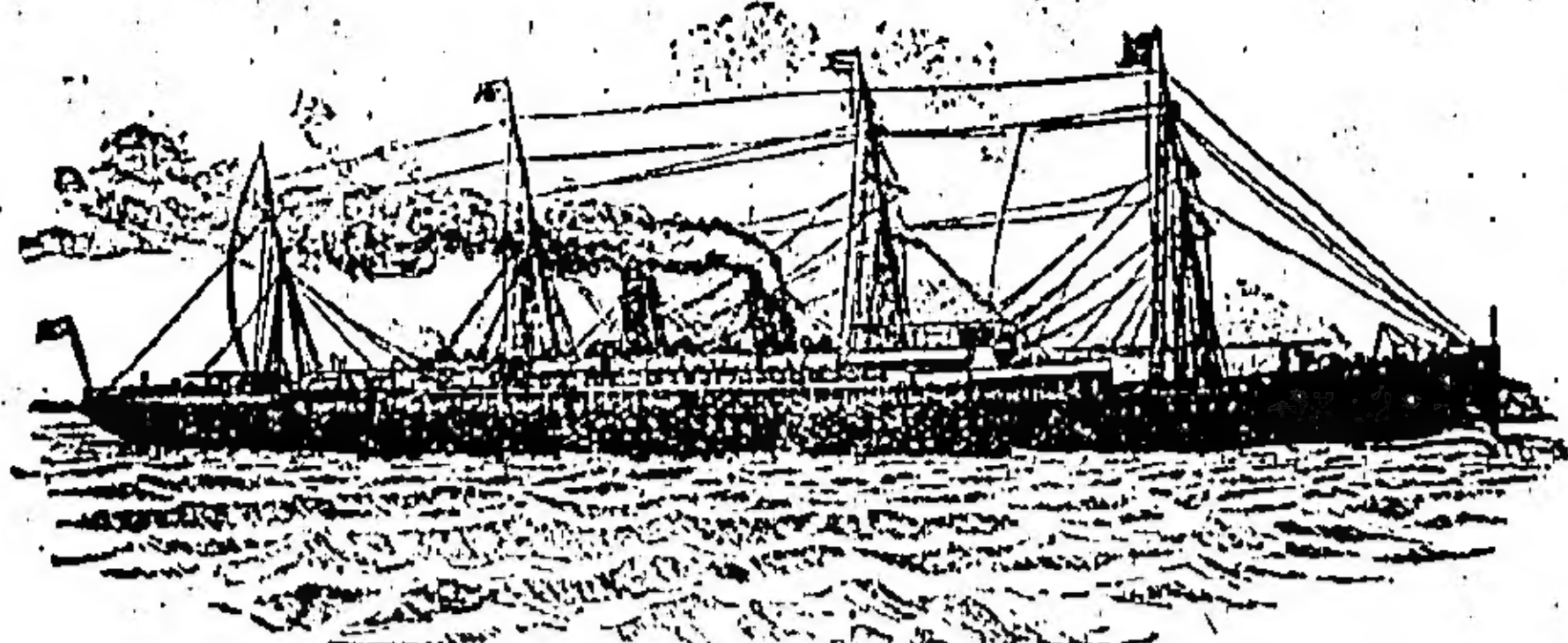






## Mails.

## U.S. MAIL LINES.



PACIFIC MAIL S.S. CO., OCCIDENTAL & ORIENTAL S.S. CO.,  
TOYO KISEN KAISHA.

TAKING PASSENGERS AND CARGO TO JAPAN, THE UNITED STATES, MEXICO,  
CENTRAL AND SOUTH AMERICA AND EUROPE:

## PROPOSED SAILINGS FROM HONGKONG.

"DORIC" .....	4,781 Gross Tons	SATURDAY, 14th November, at Daylight.
"NIPPON MARU" .....	6,307 "	TUESDAY, 24th November, at Noon.
"SIBERIA" .....	11,284 "	WEDNESDAY, 2nd December, at Noon.
"COPTIC" .....	4,352 "	WEDNESDAY, 9th December, at Noon.
"AMERICA MARU" .....	6,307 "	FRIDAY, 18th December, at Noon.
"KOREA" .....	11,276 "	SATURDAY, 26th December, at Noon.
"GALIC" .....	4,205 "	SATURDAY, 2nd January, 1904, at Noon.
"HONGKONG MARU" .....	6,307 "	SATURDAY, 9th January, at Noon.
"CHINA" .....	5,000 "	TUESDAY, 19th January, at Noon.

Record Trip Yokohama to San Francisco made by s.s. "KOREA," 11,276 tons, Oct. 18th-28th, 1902; 10 days, 15 hours.

THE O. & O. Company's Steamship "DORIC" will be despatched for SAN FRANCISCO, via MACAO, SHANGHAI, NAGASAKI, KOBE, INLAND SEA, YOKOHAMA and HONOLULU, on SATURDAY, the 14th instant, at Daylight, taking Freight for Japan, the United States, and Europe. Passengers are allowed to break their journey at any point en route.

Through Passage Tickets granted to England, France and Germany by all trans-Atlantic lines of Steamers, and to the principal cities of the United States or Canada.

Passengers holding through ORDERS TO EUROPE have the choice of the Overland Rail Routes from San Francisco, including the SOUTHERN PACIFIC, CENTRAL PACIFIC, UNION PACIFIC, DENVER and RIO GRANDE, and NORTHERN PACIFIC RAILWAY; also the CANADIAN PACIFIC RAILWAY on payment of £4 in addition to the regular tariff rate.

Passengers holding Orders for OVERLAND CITIES in the United States have between SAN FRANCISCO and CHICAGO, the option of the SOUTHERN PACIFIC, CENTRAL PACIFIC, UNION PACIFIC, DENVER and RIO GRANDE, and other direct connecting Railways, and from Chicago to destination the choice of direct lines.

Special rates (First-class only) to European Ports, are granted to Missionaries, Members of the Naval, Military, Diplomatic and Consular Services, and European Civil Service Officials located in Asia, and to European Officials in the Service of the Governments of China and Japan.

TO UNITED STATES AND CANADIAN PORTS. Special rates (first class only) are granted and will apply only to Missionaries, Members of the Naval and Military Services, and to Consular and Diplomatic Officials of the Governments of China and Japan.

Through Bills of Lading issued for transportation to Yokohama and other Japan Ports, to San Francisco, to Atlantic and Inland Cities of the United States, via Overland Railway to Havana, Trinidad, and Demerara, and to ports in Mexico, Central and South America, by the Companies' and connecting Steamers.

## FEATURES OF THIS LINE.

Southern Route; passengers enjoy out-boards throughout; deck bathing. The call at Honolulu, Oahu, the most fertile and beautiful island of the Pacific. The only line to San Francisco, the greatest port of the Pacific.

Sailings positively on schedule date.

For further information as to Passage and Freight, apply to the Agency of the Companies, Queen's Building.

J. STUART THOMSON, Acting Agent.

Hongkong, 6th November, 1903.

CANADIAN PACIFIC RAILWAY COY'S  
ROYAL MAIL STEAMSHIP LINE.

## SAFETY. SPEED. PUNCTUALITY.

THE FAST ROUTE BETWEEN CHINA, JAPAN AND EUROPE, VIA CANADA  
AND THE UNITED STATES.

(CALLING AT SHANGHAI, NAGASAKI, KOBE, YOKOHAMA & VICTORIA, B.C.)

"EMPRESS" Twin Screw Steamships—6,000 Tons—10,000 Horse Power—Speed 19 Knots.

## PROPOSED SAILINGS FROM HONGKONG.—(SUBJECT TO ALTERATION).

R.M.S. "EMPRESS OF INDIA" .....	6,000 Tons	WEDNESDAY, 18th November.
"EMPRESS OF JAPAN" .....	6,000 "	WEDNESDAY, 16th December.
"EMPRESS OF CHINA" .....	6,000 "	WEDNESDAY, 13th January, 1904.
"ATHENIAN" .....	3,882 "	WEDNESDAY, 27th January.
"EMPRESS OF INDIA" .....	6,000 "	WEDNESDAY, 10th February.
"TARTAR" .....	4,125 "	WEDNESDAY, 24th February.
"EMPRESS OF JAPAN" .....	6,000 "	WEDNESDAY, 9th March.
"EMPRESS OF CHINA" .....	6,000 "	WEDNESDAY, 30th March.
"EMPRESS OF INDIA" .....	6,000 "	WEDNESDAY, 20th April.
"ATHENIAN" .....	3,882 "	WEDNESDAY, 27th April.
"EMPRESS OF JAPAN" .....	6,000 "	WEDNESDAY, 11th May.

THE magnificent "EMPRESS" Twin-screw Steamships of this Line pass through the famous INLAND SEA OF JAPAN, and usually make the voyage YOKOHAMA TO VANCOUVER (B.C.) in 12 DAYS, ("TARTAR" and "ATHENIAN" 14 DAYS), saving THREE DAYS TO A WEEK in the Trans-Pacific journey, and make connection at Vancouver with the PALATIAL OVERLAND TRAINS OF THE CANADIAN PACIFIC RAILWAY which leave daily, and cross the Continent FROM THE PACIFIC TO THE ATLANTIC WITHOUT CHANGE. Close connection is made at Montreal, Quebec, Halifax, New York and Boston with all Trans-Atlantic Lines, which passengers to Great Britain and the Continent are given choice of.

Passengers Booked through to all principal points and AROUND THE WORLD. Return tickets to various points at reduced rates, Good for 4, 6, 9 and 12 months.

SPECIAL RATES (First class only) granted to Missionaries, Members of the Naval, Military, Diplomatic and Civil Services, and to European Officials in the Service of China and Japan.

The attractive features of the Company's route embrace its PALATIAL STEAMSHIPS, (second to none in the World), the LUXURIANCE OF ITS TRANS-CONTINENTAL TRAINS (the Company having received the highest award for same at Chicago World's Exhibition), and the diversity of MAGNIFICENT MOUNTAIN AND LAKE SCENERY through which the Railway passes.

THE DINING CARS AND MOUNTAIN HOTELS of this route are owned and operated by the Company, and their appointments and Cuisine are unexcelled.

For further information, Maps, Guide Books, Rates of Passage, &c., apply to  
D. E. BROWN, General Agent,  
Pedder's Street.

Hongkong, 1st September, 1903.

HAMBURG-AMERIKA LINIE.  
NORDDEUTSCHER LLOYD.  
OSTASIATISCHER FRACHTDAMPFER DIENST.

(Taking Cargo at through Rates to ANTWERP, AMSTERDAM, ROTTERDAM, COPENHAGEN, LISBON, OPORTO, LONDON, LIVERPOOL, GLASGOW, TRIESTE, GENOA, PORTS IN THE LEVANT, BLACK SEA and BALTIC PORTS; NORTH and SOUTH AMERICAN PORTS).

## PROPOSED SAILINGS FROM HONGKONG.

## SUBJECT TO ALTERATION.

STREAMERS.	DESTINATIONS.	SAILING DATES.
CANADA .....	ANTWERP and HAMBURG. (Calling at SINGAPORE and COLOMBO).	12th Nov. Freight.
Wagner .....		
MARBURG .....	HAVRE, BREMEN and HAMBURG. (Calling at SINGAPORE and COLOMBO).	21st Nov. Freight.
Stern .....		
SUEVIA .....	HAVRE and HAMBURG. (Calling at SINGAPORE and PENANG).	1st Dec. Freight.
Borck .....		
ARAGONIA .....	HAVRE and HAMBURG. (Calling at SINGAPORE and COLOMBO).	15th Dec. Freight.
Forst .....		
NURNBERG .....	HAVRE and HAMBURG. (Calling at SINGAPORE and PENANG).	29th Dec. Freight.
Jaburg .....		
AMBRIA .....	HAVRE and HAMBURG. (Calling at SINGAPORE and COLOMBO).	5th January, 1904. Freight.
Duckstein .....		
NUBIA .....	NEW YORK via SUEZ.	About end of December. Freight.
von Hoff .....		

For further Particulars, apply to

HAMBURG-AMERIKA LINIE,  
HONGKONG OFFICE,  
No. 1, Queen's Buildings.

Hongkong, 4th November, 1903.

## Shipping—Steamers.

HONGKONG, CANTON, MACAO AND  
WEST RIVER STEAMERS.

JOINT SERVICE OF THE HONGKONG, CANTON AND MACAO  
STEAMBOAT CO., LTD., AND THE CHINA NAVIGATION  
COMPANY, LTD.

## HONGKONG-CANTON LINE.

S.S. "HONAN" .....	2,363 tons	Captain H. D. Jones.
"POWAN" .....	2,138 "	C. F. Morrison, R.N.R.
"FATSHAN" .....	2,260 "	A. W. J. S. B.
"HANKOW" .....	3,073 "	C. V. J. S. B.
"KINSHAN" .....	2,860 "	J. J. Lussius.

Departures from HONGKONG to CANTON daily at about 7 A.M. and 10 A.M. (Sunday excepted) and at about 6 P.M. (Saturday excepted).  
Departures from CANTON to HONGKONG daily (Sunday excepted) at about 8 A.M., 2 P.M. and 5.30 P.M.

These Steamers, carrying His Majesty's Mails, are the largest and fastest on the River. Special attention is drawn to their Superior Saloon and Cabin accommodation.

SERVICE OF THE HONGKONG, CANTON AND MACAO STEAMBOAT CO., LTD.

## HONGKONG-MACAO LINE.

S.S. "HEUNGSHAN" .....	1,998 tons	Captain W. E. Clarke.
Departures from Hongkong to Macao daily at 4 P.M. (Sunday excepted).		
Do. from Macao to Hongkong daily at 8 A.M. (Sunday excepted).		

## CANTON-MACAO LINE.

S.S. "LUNGSHAN" .....	2,119 tons	Captain T. Hamlin.
This steamer leaves Canton for Macao every Tuesday, Thursday and Saturday at about 7.30 A.M.; and leaves Macao for Canton every Monday, Wednesday and Friday at about 7.30 A.M.		

JOINT SERVICE OF THE H.K. & C. AND MACAO STEAMBOAT CO., LTD., THE CHINA NAVIGATION COMPANY, LTD., AND THE INDU-CHINA STEAM NAVIGATION COMPANY, LTD.

## CANTON-WUCHOW LINE.

S.S. "SAINAM" .....	588 tons	Captain B. Branch.
"NANNING" .....	592 "	C. Butchart.
"TAK HING" .....	518 "	R. D. Thomas.

Departures from Canton and Wuchow about five times every week. Round trips take about 5 days. These vessels have Superior Cabin accommodation and are lighted throughout by electricity.

Further particulars may be obtained at the Office of the—  
HONGKONG, CANTON & MACAO STEAMBOAT CO., LD.,  
18, Bank Buildings, Queen's Road Central, opposite the Hongkong Hotel.  
Or of BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE,  
Agents—CHINA NAVIGATION CO., LTD  
Hongkong, 31st October, 1903.

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## JAVA-CHINA-JAPAN LINE.

HEAD AGENT: R. BISSCHOP,

3, DUNDRELL STREET,  
HONGKONG.

REGULAR FOUR-WEEKLY SERVICE BETWEEN  
JAVA, CHINA, AND JAPAN.

Steamer.	From	Expected on or about	Will leave for	On or about
TJILATJAP .....	JAVA PORTS via MACASSAR.	November 12	SHANGHAI, KOBE and YOKOHAMA.	November 16
TJIMAH .....	Do.	December 2	Do.	December 5
TJIPANAS .....	YUAMAR and KOBE.	November 21	S'PORE, JAVA PORTS and MACASSAR.	November 24

The Steamers are all fitted throughout with Electric Light and have Superior Accommodation for a limited number of Saloon Passengers, and will take Cargo to all Netherlands India Ports on through Bills of Lading.

For Particulars of Freight and Passage, apply to

THE AGENTS,  
HOTZ, SJACOB & CO.

Telephone No. 201.  
Hongkong, 6th November, 1903.

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## Intimations.

PORTRAITS, GROUPS, ENLARGING, AND  
COPYING IN ALL SIZES.

AMATEUR WORK GIVEN SPECIAL  
ATTENTION.

FULL LINE OF SUPPLIES  
ALWAYS IN STOCK.

ORIENTAL

COSTUMES AND

FANCY DRAPERIES

FURNISHED.

WORK GUARANTEED TO BE

THE BEST IN THE COLONY.

LADIES' SPECIAL TOILET ROOM.

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THE CONNAUGHT HOUSE,  
QUEEN'S ROAD CENTRAL.

A FIRST CLASS HOTEL SITUATED NEAR THE BANKS AND PRINCIPAL  
OFFICES. EXCELLENT CUISINE AND WINES.  
Large and lofty Rooms Elegantly Furnished. Hydraulic Elevator.  
Hot and Cold Water throughout. Special Rates for Tourists.  
Launch Service for Guests.

For Terms, apply to

THE MANAGER.

Hongkong, 1st November, 1902.

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## INCANDESCENT GAS LIGHT.

The attention of consumers is drawn to the fact that  
the Undersigned, being Sole Agents for

DR. AUER VON WELSBACH Co.,  
VIENNA,

THE INVENTORS OF INCANDESCENT  
GAS LIGHT.

ARE SELLING THE ONLY GENUINE MANTLES,  
The Price of which has been reduced to  
FIFTY CENTS per piece.

BEWARE OF INFERIOR IMITATIONS!

KRUSE & Co.,  
CONNAUGHT HOUSE.

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## Intimations.

## THE YOKOHAMA DOCK CO., LTD.

## No. 1 DOCK.

Length inside, 514 ft. Width of  
entrance, top 95 ft.; bottom 75 ft.  
Water on blocks, 27.5 ft. Time to  
pump out, 4 hours.

## No. 2 DOCK.

Length inside, 375 ft. Width of  
entrance, top 60.5 ft.; bottom 45.8  
ft. Water on blocks, 26.5 ft. Time  
to pump out, 2 hours.

THESE DOCKS are conveniently situated in Yokohama harbour and the attention of  
Captains and Engineers is respectfully called to the advantages offered for Dock-  
ing and repairing Vessels and Machinery of every description.

The plant and tools are of recent patterns for dealing quickly and cheaply with work,  
and a large stock of material is always at hand, (plates and angles all being tested by  
Lloyds' surveyors).

Two powerful Twin Screw Towboats are available for taking Vessels in or out of  
Dock; and for taking Sailing Vessels in or out of the bay. The floating derrick is capable  
of lifting 35 tons.

Steam Launches of Steel or Wood, Lighters, Steel Buildings and Roofs, Bridge  
Work, and all kinds of Machinery are made on the premises.

Tenders will be made up when required and the workmanship and material will be  
guaranteed.

The cost of Docking, and repair work, will be found to compare favourably with that  
of any port in the world.

Telephone: Works, No. 506; General, No. 376.

Telegram: "Dock, Yokohama," Codes A. I. and A. B. C. (4th).

Yokohama, May 11th, 1903.

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GO TO THE  
KOWLOON HOTEL,  
FRANK F. JEWELL, KOWLOON. J. W. OSBORNE,  
Manager. Proprietor.HOTEL CRAIGIEBURN,  
PLUNKET'S GAP, the PEAK, near the TRAM TERMINUS. Tel. 56.  
For Terms, &c., apply to the  
MANAGER.

Hongkong, 2nd July, 1900.

OPENING OF VICTORIA JUBILEE  
HOSPITAL, BARKER ROAD,  
THE PEAK.

THE JUBILEE COMMITTEE invite  
SUBSCRIBERS to the JUBILEE  
FUND and the PUBLIC to be present at the  
Opening of the above Hospital by His Excel-  
lency, the Governor TO-MORROW, the 7th  
November, at 4.30 P.M.

W. CHATHAM,  
Honorary Secretary.

Hongkong, 31st October, 1903.

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HUMPHREYS ESTATE AND FINANCE  
COMPANY, LIMITED.

NOTICE is hereby given that AN EXTRA-  
ORDINARY GENERAL MEETING  
of HUMPHREYS ESTATE AND FINANCE CO.,  
LIMITED, will be held at the COMPANY'S  
OFFICES, Nos. 38 and 40, Queen's Road Central,  
Victoria, Hongkong, on WEDNESDAY,  
the 18th day of November, 1903, at NOON, when  
the SUBJOINED RESOLUTIONS which  
were passed at a Meeting held on the 31st  
October, 1903, will be submitted for confirma-  
tion as SPECIAL RESOLUTIONS:—

1. "That the Capital of the Company be  
increased from \$1,000,000 (divided into  
100,000 shares of \$10 each) to \$1,500,000  
(divided into 150,000 shares of \$10 each) by  
the creation of 50,000 new shares of \$10  
each to be offered and if accepted to be  
allotted to the present shareholders of the  
Company at par in the ratio and proportion  
of one new share for every two old shares  
in the Company held by the respective  
shareholders thereof, the amount payable  
on each of such new shares respectively to  
be paid at such time or times and in such  
manner as the Company by its General  
Managers may hereafter determine."

2. "That Article No. 82 of the Articles  
of Association of the Company be cancel-  
led and the following Article substituted  
therefor:—

"The remuneration of the General  
Managers shall be a sum not exceed-  
ing \$8,000 per annum (which shall  
cover office rent and salaries of Secretary  
and other employees) and a commis-  
sion of 5 per cent. of the net profit of  
the Company for each year that such  
profits amount to 7 per cent. of the  
Capital of the Company."

Dated this 2nd day of November, 1903.

JOHN D. HUMPHREYS & SON,  
General Managers.

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DEUTSCHE WEINGESellschaft  
DUHR & CO., COELN.

STOCK ON HAND OF  
AHRLEICHART, a red Ahr Wine at \$18.50  
GRACHER, Moselle ..... at \$16.50  
LAUBENHEIMER, Hock ..... at \$15.00  
All per Case of 24 Quarts.

Price Reductions for Larger Orders.  
GROSSMANN & CO.  
Hongkong, 16th October, 1903.

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GREEN ISLAND CEMENT COMPANY,  
LIMITED.

PORTLAND CEMENT.

In Casks of 37½ lbs. net \$4.75 ex Factory.

In Bags of 25½ lbs. net \$2.85 ex Factory.

SHEWAN, TOMES & CO.,  
General Managers.

Hongkong, 15th August, 1903.

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## JUST LANDED.

A FRESH Consignment of MILKMAID  
BRAND SWISS MILK.

Per Dozen Tins, 2½ and 23 cents  
a Single Tin.

H. RUTTONJEE,  
No. 5, D'Almeida Street,  
and  
36 and 38, Elgin Road, Kowloon.

Hongkong, 2nd November, 1903.

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## DENTISTRY:

SUI SANG,  
(Lately Practising with Dr. I. SAKATA),  
DENTIST.

No. 26, Connaught Road Central.  
Hongkong, 9th February, 1903.

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## BANK HOLIDAY.

IN accordance with Government Notification  
No. 714, the EXCHANGE BANKS will  
be CLOSED for the Transaction of Public  
Business on MONDAY, the 9th November,  
THE ANNIVERSARY OF THE BIRTH-  
DAY OF HIS MOST GRACIOUS MA-  
JESTY KING EDWARD VII.  
Hongkong, 4th November, 1903.

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FIRE INSURANCE ASSOCIATION  
OF HONGKONG.

INSURANCE HOLIDAY.

IT is hereby notified that FIRE INSUR-  
ANCE OFFICES will be CLOSED for  
the transaction of Public Business on MON-  
DAY, the 9th November.

A. R. LOWE,  
Secretary.

Hongkong, 5th November, 1903.

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## GOVERNMENT NOTIFICATION.

INFORMATION has been received from the  
Military Authorities that GUNPRACTICE  
will take place from the undermentioned  
Batteries, on the dates as specified opposite,  
at moving targets towed across the entrance to  
Junk Bay between Devil's Peak and Futau  
Chau at a range of 1,800 to 2,000 yards and at  
targets towed down Junk Bay above Futau  
Chau at a range of about 4,000 yards:—  
Lyemun (Redoubt and Pak-sha-wan), 12th  
November, 1903.  
Lyemun (Pak-sha-wan and Sai-wan), 13th  
November, 1903.  
Practice will commence at about 9 A.M.  
daily, and end about 11 A.M. daily, if the range  
is clear.

By Command,  
F. H. MAY,  
Colonial Secretary.

Colonial Secretary's Office,  
Hongkong, 5th November, 1903.

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## MADAM FLINT &amp; CO.



## THE SUGAR INDUSTRY.

## FACTS AND FANCIES.

## IV.

Not always did the Java *dessau man* (*dessau* = village) get so much profit out of his grounds, and the following description about the state of the sugar industry from *Voyage au tour du monde, par le comte de Beauvoir* (1866-67) shows that in the treatment of native races humanity has made great progress.

The count described the system of mountain cultures, especially that of coffee, which the rural population was paid for at the rate of 7 fcs. 37 c. the picul in some districts (Péang, Surakarta and Jogocasta) and in others 25 fcs. 20 c. per picul (50 to 100 lb. weight) while the Government sold this "bought" colonial produce at the auctions in Amsterdam at 73 fcs. = £2 18s. 8d.

Concerning the population of the plains, the official of the conquering race says to them: "In every place where I establish a refinery, you will have to cultivate sugar cane, for which the European contractor will pay you at a price fixed by me. The State does not undertake the manufacture but only the planting; it makes an agreement with a manufacturer, advances him £13,881 for twelve years free of interest, transfers to him the whole management and the responsibility of the cultivation and the factory, retains for itself two-thirds parts of the manufactured sugar at its own price and leaves to the industrial one-third which he may dispose at his own free will. He pays the peasants, his serfs, 4s. 10d. per picul of manufactured sugar and is obliged to sell two-thirds of the crop to the Government at formerly 13s. 10d. and at present (1867) at 10s. 7d. and the Government sells in Holland this same picul at 76 fcs. (£3 0s. 10d.).

"The European contractor, of course, sold his third share of the sugar at equally high prices at the modest profit of 70 francs per picul, 207,506 families of Javanese planted 256,000 acres in the environs of 597 sugar-mills which refined 138,000,000 kg. (131,429 tons) of sugar representing a value of seven million pounds."

"This was the good old times, the time of the legend of Sugar King; wealthier than Cæsar, the times of the high life in Batavia."

This shameless exploitation of the natives, however, was soon to find a stop. A storm of indignation swept the "culture system" away. Douwes Dekker, a former assistant resident of Labak in Java, after leaving the Netherlands-India service, wrote a book *Max Havelaar*, or "The Coffee Auctions of Java," which perhaps dealt the most powerful blow any system of colonial government has ever received. At this time the best-rooted sugar industry began to enter into keener competition with her proud Tropical sister. The fall in prices was enormous and the Sugar Kings of yore were transformed into sugar lords or sugar barons, while competition from Brazil in coffee made the coffee aristocracy of Java fall to the less respectful position of "Koffie boeren." Sugar was soon at 4s. 10d., but as it could still be produced at 4s. 4d., the profit was even then considerable. The drop in profits, however, for the first time in the history of the industry exemplified the truism that to make sugar pay, you must take care of all bagatelles, (or most of all *Heintje's geit woorden*.)

The lords and barons of Koningsplein in Batavia are now simple "boeren," the tale of Gerstick, Count Beauvoir and others of the palaces with countless servants, dozens of horses and rivers of champagne—which then formed the regulation morning drink instead of the actual "gin and bitters" nowadays—seems almost a myth. From king to baron and down to boer, from champagne to gin, is a good illustration of the downward course sugar took during the last forty years.

At present a considerable number of the owners of Java sugar mills are Chinese and the old experience, that the Chinaman easily thrives where the European is starved, finds here a new illustration. It is true, that the Chinese nababs in Java are just as unable to manage their possessions without the help of European planters and engineers as their confreres are in the Straits or elsewhere, and the industry still feeds a few hundred Europeans well enough, but for all that the downfall of a European tropical industry is the more evident.

The machinery used in Java sugar mills is not of a uniform type. English, French and German engine-builders are competing on equal terms in this Dutch colony, which holds an old reputation as a field of trade for allcomers, and where next to a majority of Dutch and Eurasian planters and industrialists, Englishmen and Germans possess many valuable estates. It is true that the unheard of prosperity once existing in the Dutch possessions made this fairness in dealing with foreigners easy enough and equally true, that since the disappearance of the "batik slat," the long-accumulated yearly surplus of many millions, the Government was able to scrape out of the enslaved Javanese, this fair-play, too, has become an ancient myth, but as this has nothing to do with sugar directly, we will leave the question aside for the present.

Sugar in Java is like everywhere else at low tide, although not as yet threatened with ruin, as it certainly seems to be in other countries. The balance sheets of the many sugar companies in the Far East, from the Philippines to Formosa and Japan, shows that in these countries not too favourable a condition reigns in the sugar market, but a reaction is looked for in the protective measures which fiscal legislation can confer upon the industry.

At the time of writing a special sub-committee of the Hongkong General Chamber of Commerce is deliberating upon the advisability or otherwise of recommending the introduction of special laws to protect the enormous trade controlled by this Colony in this staple. With the representatives of the two local refining companies on the committee, it may be safely assumed that the interest of Hongkong will be upheld no less than the prospects of the two concerns greatly promoted.

(To be continued.)

## Auction.

## PUBLIC AUCTION.

THE Undersigned have received instructions to Sell by PUBLIC AUCTION, FOR ACCOUNT OF THE CONCERNED, TO-MORROW (SATURDAY), the 7th November, 1903, at 2.30 P.M., at their

SALES ROOMS, No. 8, Des Vœux Road, Corner of Ice House Street, A FINE AND VALUABLE COLLECTION OF USED & UNUSED POSTAGE STAMPS, Comprising—

BRITISH COLONIES, CHINA, PHILIPPINES, PORTUGAL and COLONIES, &c., &c.

Attention is called to this Sale, the Collection being an exceptionally valuable one. (In Lots to suit Dealers and Collectors.) On View from To-day. Catalogues will be issued.

TERMS—As usual. HUGHES & HOUGH, Auctioneers, Hongkong, 5th November, 1903. [13246]

## Entertainment.

## THEATRE ROYAL.

A GRAND VARIETY ENTERTAINMENT WILL BE GIVEN IN THE ABOVE HALL for the Benefit of MR. HARRY CINTO.

TO-MORROW (SATURDAY), 7th November, 1903.

H. CINTO, Asisted by VICTORIA VARIETY CLUB, MRS. STEPHENSON, GUS GREGORY, MRS. ALICE CINTO, G. I. URNETT, and other Local Talent.

PRICES: Dress Circle ... \$3.00 Stalls ... 2.00 Pit ... 1.00 Doors open 8 A.M. Commence 9 A.M.

WILL T. BURGESS, Manager, Hongkong, 5th November, 1903. [13176]

## Consignees.

## NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

THE P. & O. S. N. Co.'s Steamship

"FORMOSA" FROM ANTWERP, LONDON, PORT SAID, SUEZ AND STRAITS.

Consignees of Cargo by the above-named vessel are hereby informed that their Goods are being landed and placed at their risk in the Hongkong and Kowloon Wharf and Godown Company's Godowns at Kowloon, where each consignment will be sorted out mark by mark, and delivery can be obtained as soon as the Goods are landed.

Optional Goods will be landed here unless instructions are given to the contrary before 3 P.M. TO-DAY. Goods not cleared by the 6th November, at 4 P.M., will be subject to rent.

No Fire Insurance will be effected by me in any case whatever. Damaged packages must be left in the Godowns for examination by the Consignee and the Company's representative at an appointed hour.

All claims must be presented within ten days of the steamer's arrival here after which date they cannot be recognized. No claims will be admitted after the goods have left the Godowns.

E. A. HEWETT, Superintendent, Hongkong, 31st October, 1903. [4]

## NIPPON YUSEN KAISHA.

## NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

FROM MIDDLESBOROUGH, ANTWERP, LONDON, PORT SAID, COLOMBO AND SINGAPORE.

THE Company's Steamship

"BINGO MARU" having arrived from the above Ports, consignees of cargo are hereby informed that their Goods are being landed and placed at their risk in the Hongkong and Kowloon Wharf and Godown Company's Godowns at Kowloon, where each consignment will be sorted out mark by mark and delivery can be obtained as soon as the Goods are landed.

Optional Goods will be carried on unless instructions are given to the contrary before 4 P.M. TO-DAY. Goods not cleared by the 11th instant will be subject to rent.

All ship-damaged packages must be left in the Godowns and Notice of same sent to this Office before the 14th instant, or claims in connection therewith will not be recognized.

NIPPON YUSEN KAISHA, Hongkong, 4th November, 1903. [13266]

## OCCIDENTAL AND ORIENTAL STEAMSHIP COMPANY.

## NOTICE.

"DORIC" are hereby notified that their Goods are at their risk being discharged into Lighters and/or landed into our Godowns Nos. 1 and 2, at Kennedy Town, (Marine Lot 24), and delivery may be had either from Lighters or from our Godowns upon countersignature of Bills of Lading.

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## Entimations.

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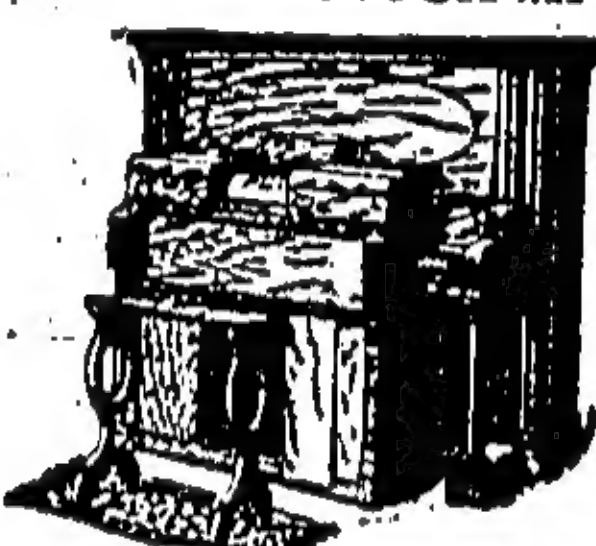
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Hongkong, 28th October, 1903. [4158]

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Hongkong, 31st October, 1903.

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Parcels are not to be sent on board, they must be left at the Agency's Office. Contents and Value of Packages are required.

For further Particulars, apply at the Company's Office. G. DE CHAMPEAUX, Agent, Hongkong, 4th November, 1903. [1004c]

NOTICES OF FIRMS.

THE INTEREST AND RESPONSIBILITY OF Dr. J. H. SWAN in assisting me in my Practice, CEASED from the 1st November, 1903. The Practice will be carried on by Dr. GINSON and myself. G. P. JORDAN, Hongkong, 1st November, 1903. [1316d]

NOTICE. WE have this Day authorized Messrs. E. O. R. VOLLEBRECHT and C. G. G. STUCHAUSEN to sign our Firm per Procuration. F. BLACKHEAD & CO., Hongkong, 31st October, 1903. [1315d]

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On 30th October, at Burlington, Vermont,  
U.S.A., CHARLES SEYMOUR, for many years  
United States Consul at Canton.

## The Hongkong Telegraph

HONGKONG, FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 6, 1903.

THE TORPEDO IN NAVAL  
WARFARE.

The successful trials recently directed against H.M.S. *Belleisle* have resulted in proving the important role that will be played by the torpedo in future maritime warfare. This much battered old warship now lies on a mud bank in Portsmouth harbour, where she was moored as a target for an 18-inch Whitehead torpedo. The *Belleisle*, on this occasion, was specially fitted to resist a torpedo attack, the trial being mainly for the purpose of testing the value of corinth cellulose as a protective medium. The result proved conclusively the absolute ineffectiveness of any such defence. An 18-inch torpedo was fired at the protected part, the cellulose was instantly scattered and a hole ten feet in diameter blown in the ship's side. The wreck might be described as appalling; bulkheads and stanchions were shattered and blown in as if they had been tin-foil, and the ship settled down at once in shallow water, where she lies at present submerged. The problem that now presents itself is how to raise her. In the case of a ship that has gone down in comparatively deep water salvage operations can be carried on without any great difficulty. Upon a mud-bank, however, in a place like Portsmouth harbour, where the tides are unusually strong, sand and mud held in partial suspension by the water begins to silt up very rapidly and, added to this difficulty, the salvage operations can only be carried out at certain times of the tide when a steamer can get alongside. The hole lies buried in the mud with all the mass of the ship resting on it. That the ship will eventually be raised there is not the slightest doubt, but the operations will prove a good deal more expensive than was at first estimated. The examination has meanwhile shown again how terrible and effective a weapon the torpedo is. With its recent addition, the gyroscope, which steers it unerringly to the target from a distance of two thousand yards, it compares very favourably with the gun armament of a battleship which, directed at the structure above water, has to compete with all kinds of protection in the way of armour before it can put a ship out of action. The present gunnery practice is carried out at a distance of about eighteen hundred yards—a shorter range than the torpedo. In a fleet action it is probable that the fear of torpedo attack would keep the enemy at a distance of a good deal over two thousand yards, for there is no protection against torpedoes, other than nets, which would so hamper a fleet in its movements that it is doubtful if they would in most cases be used. A single torpedo-boat might easily account for two battleships at night and escape without any serious damage to herself from the guns. Apart from this, the range at which the Whitehead puts a fleet action renders it imperative that good practice with guns at longer distances than at present favoured should be obtained. Recently, in these columns, we commented upon the important modifications which are about to be made in the equipment of the Hongkong torpedo-boat flotilla. Now that the enormous value of the torpedo, fitted with the new automatic self-steering gear, or gyroscope, has been proved past all discussion, it is to be hoped that the changes decided upon will receive execution with the least possible delay. The conclusive experiments on the *Belleisle* have considerably increased the importance of the torpedo-boat as a unit in the defence of a port against attack from an enemy's fleet and, in all probability, the fact that our flotilla is about to be thoroughly overhauled and re-boilered is proof that our naval experts have fully appreciated the immense services these handy little vessels are capable of rendering.

## TAMMANY AND REFORM.

It is clear that the victory of the Tammany nominee over the reform candidate for the Mayoralty of Greater New York was not altogether unexpected judging from American exchanges to hand informing us that the election this year was to be heightened by the possibility that some of the former "fusion" forces might be led into going over to Tammany. The nomination of Mr. George B. McClellan by New York Democrats was thought to be the event for which all the non-committal leaders were waiting, and while the great majority of the newspapers supported the re-election of Mr. Seth Low, the opinion of New York journals, and that expressed in the

ballots, showed a marked divergence. Last year the blame for the unmistakable Democratic verdict was given by most of the New York publications to Mr. Low whose administration caused "widespread and deep dissatisfaction," while according to the *Evening Post*, a journal friendly to the Fusionists, the reform mayor needed reformation, and big odds would have to overcome this year. It was asserted that the greater New York Democracy opposed the renomination of Mr. Low because they were anxious to bring to an end the power of President Roosevelt and Governor Odell, and it was their firm conviction that the President could not carry the state next year unless a Republican mayor was elected in New York city this year. In nominating Mr. McClellan, on the 1st October, Mr. John J. Delaney is reported as saying, "There is no hope for the Democrats to carry the United States unless we carry the State of New York, and we cannot carry the State of New York unless we carry the city of New York. We must nominate here a man of patriotic blood: a man who has never boasted of his ancestors, but has stood upon the ground: a man himself." Upon the name of Mr. McClellan being put to the vote 434 names were recorded in his favour, and 219 supported the nomination of Mr. Justice W. J. Gaynor. The boroughs of Manhattan and the Bronx, Queens and Richmond went solid for Mr. McClellan while the Brooklyn delegates, with the exception of one man, voted for Mr. Gaynor. Mr. E. M. Grout was selected for Comptroller and Mr. C. V. Fornes for President of the Board of Agriculture. In Greater New York last year the Social Democratic vote was close on 15,000 as against 9,000 in 1901, and judging from the fact that another large majority has been recorded it would appear that Tammanyism is so deeply rooted that Republicanism will find it difficult to overturn this increasing Democratic plurality.

## LOCAL AND GENERAL.

The British sloop *Mutine* returned from a cruise this morning.

The German gunboat *Menne*, Captain Fasper, arrived from Manila yesterday evening.

The German gunboat *Tiger* has been undergoing repairs at the Kawasaki Dockyard.

MESSRS. Hall & Holz, Ltd., Shanghai, have declared an interim dividend of two dollars per share, payable on the 16th inst.

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MONDAY next (Nov. 9th) having been declared a public holiday the Post Office will be open for one hour only, i.e., from 8 a.m. to 9 a.m., all mails will be closed at 9 a.m. There will be one delivery, and a collection from the Pillar Boxes as on Sundays. The Money Order office will be entirely closed.

The steamer *Hansa* which arrived at Shanghai on inst. from Swatow reports that a terrific typhoon occurred at that port, about a week ago. The typhoon was the heaviest ever known in that part of China by the oldest inhabitant. The *Hansa* was five days making the passage from Swatow.

A RECENT issue of the *Dalni Vostok* reports that the Mulentali works at St. Petersburg have started work on a steamer to the order of the Russian Navy. She will be used for supplying fresh water to the Russian Pacific Squadron, and will be named the *Vodoley*, No. 1. The vessel will be despatched to the Far East as soon as she is launched.

The *Kohunin* is responsible for the welcome news that China will hold an industrial exhibition in the near future. With this object in view, Sheng Kungpao has asked the Department of Agriculture and Commerce in Tokyo for a copy of the publication relating to the recent exhibition at Osaka. These publications are not yet forthcoming, but as soon as they are prepared, they will be sent to Sheng.

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THE *Mainichi* reports that the outbreak of cholera at Nagasaki, is spreading. Since the 21st ult., when the first case was reported, there have been forty-one cases, of which eighteen have proved fatal. In Nagasaki more than twenty cases were recorded and five more cases in other villages. Over ten cases are reported daily in the city of Nagasaki and suburbs and the Ken authorities are at their wit's end to know what to do to suppress the outbreak.—*Ex.*

THE Japanese shallow-draught gunboat *Hamida* which was lately brought from England in sections was taken on board the N.Y.K. European liner *Kanagawa-maru*, sailing from Yokohama at noon on the 29th ult. for Shanghai. The new gunboat will be put together at the Chinese port, and is then to be commissioned for the Yangtze service. Materials for another Japanese gunboat *Fushimi* are also expected at Yokohama shortly from England. This boat will also be constructed at Shanghai.

ANOTHER instalment of the series of articles dealing with the sugar industry is printed on the third page.

\$50, or in default two months' hard labour, and to be exhibited for two hours in the stocks was the sentence imposed by Mr. Sercombe Smith, at the Magistracy this morning, upon Li Shing, a boatman, for being in unlawful possession of two tons of coal.

LAN Tsau appeared before Mr. Sercombe Smith this morning charged with dredging within a hundred yards of a torpedo boat destroyer in the harbour, contrary to section 11 of Ordinance 9 of 1875. The defendant denied the charge and pleaded that he was shrimping, but instead of shrimps he caught a bundle of steel wire rope. His Worship sentenced him to pay \$20 or go to gaol for twenty-one days.

HARVEST thanksgiving services will be held at St. Peter's Church, Queen's Road West, on Sunday, when the Rev. J. H. France, M.A., will preach at the morning service, and the Rev. F. J. Kelly, M.A., will occupy the pulpit in the evening. The offertories on the occasion will be devoted to the fund which has been formed for the purpose of providing a suitable *Sailors' Rest* in Victoria, to replace the old Star Coffee House.

Mr. Robert Dollar and his family have returned to the States from the Orient after five months' absence from California. Mr. Dollar's own ship, the *Arab*, conveyed the party. The cruise commenced in May and all the principal sea ports along the Asiatic coast were visited, especially the chief ports of China, Russia and Japan. While the cruise was one for pleasure for the Dollar family, yet the head of the household combined pleasure with business. Mr. Dollar's large shipping interests between California and the Orient and the unsettled condition of trade and finance in the Asiatic cities required that he personally investigate the exact status of affairs.

THE *Yorodu*, without giving its authority, publishes the following as the substance of the resolutions adopted by the conference of Elder Statesmen:—1.—That not an inch shall be yielded by Japan behind the position taken up by Baron Komura at his meeting with Baron Rosen on the 14th ultimo. 2.—That if Russia gives way, negotiations shall not be entered upon until she agrees to a basis near the views of Japan. 3.—That it was still somewhat premature to send an ultimatum, and that this course should be postponed. 4.—That Japan should push forward positive works in Korea and Manchuria with the utmost determination, irrespective of the attitude of Russia.

If you want fresh film and good film, you can get them at LeMunyon's; they are guaranteed.—*Advt.*

"If King, Edward would bring still closer together the English and American people, and if he would weld more firmly the commercial interests existing between the English and American people, and maintain the cordial relations at every character existing, he will make Sir Thomas Lipton his next Ambassador to the United States," said United States Senator Thomas Kearns at Salt Lake City, on 1st ult., in speaking of, and lamenting, the death of Sir Michael Herbert. "Thanking the Senator for his good wishes," said Sir Thomas, "I must say I am not a statesman and there is no possibility in the world of my representing Great Britain at Washington. If I were an Ambassador I am sure I know of no country where I would rather be the King's representative."

AT about 5.30 o'clock this morning, P.C. 74, Cooper, in company with some excise officers visited a dwelling house at West Point in search of opium. A small quantity of the drug was found in the jacket pocket of one of the inmates, who accused the excise officer of placing it there, and struck him. Two other men joined in the fight and assaulted Cooper; a regular scuffle ensued. The inmates eventually submitted and were arrested. Before Mr. J. H. Kemp, at the Magistracy this morning, the four prisoners were charged with assaulting officers while in the execution of their duties. They were fined \$20 or one month's gaol each. The charge against one of the men for being in unlawful possession of three mace of prepared opium was dismissed.

THE University of California Oriental Union, composed of Chinese and Japanese students attending college, is to be reorganized on a more enduring basis than when it was first inaugurated three years ago by Professor John Fryer, head of the department of Oriental languages and literature. At the opening meeting, a reception and banquet was to be an important feature, the whole function being unique on account of the fact that the entertainment would be arranged in true Oriental style, the first of its kind to be given in the university. The leaders in the movement to revive the Oriental Union hope to make the scope of the new organization broader by admitting to membership all students interested in Oriental affairs, regardless of their nationality. This will apply particularly to students in the college of commerce and will prove of mutual benefit to those white students who are contemplating careers in the Far East, and are therefore anxious to make friends and come into closer relationship with the people with whom their lot will be cast. The meetings will be hereafter more of a social nature, although papers will be read and discussions on Oriental topics held, as in the past.

A CONTRACT between the Brazilian Government and Messrs. C. H. Walker and Co. of London, involving £5,000,000, for harbour and dock improvements at Rio Janeiro has just been signed. Work is to begin in January.

Li Wong was charged at the Magistracy this morning for unlawfully boarding the s.s. *Chewtai* without permission from the officer in charge. Mr. Sercombe Smith fined him \$10 or fourteen days. The same fine was imposed upon Li Tsoi for boarding the s.s. *Anpho* without permission.

SECRETARY Root, who was the U. S. member of the Alaska Boundary Commission, is returning to Washington and it is probable that a high position abroad will be offered him by the Government. In Washington the victory of the United States is considered the greatest of the era, but the Canadian Commissioners are bitterly disappointed with the decision. Canada was desirous of securing free and easy access to the sea on the coastline between Port Simpson and Mount St. Elias, from above that the coast is ice-bound for the greater part of the year. Her hopes have proved vain and the people of the Dominion are, somewhat naturally, indignant that the verdict should be against them.

We are still doing business at 31, Des Vœux Road. LeMunyon.—*Advt.*

DEVELOPING THE  
PHILIPPINES.

Hugh Clifford, the distinguished English publicist, has been writing in the *North American Review* on how the United States should manage the Philippines. His remedy for existing conditions is the introduction of Chinese labour. In an admirable article on the Malay and rival systems for his betterment, Clifford touches the keynote of the needs of these islands, as did Engineer Norton, and Professor Moses. The *London Standard* commenting on Clifford's article says: On this subject his past experiences enable him to speak with some authority; and the rival systems are those of the Dutch and the English who are now the principal European rulers of the Philippine peoples. Both organization work under similar conditions as to climate and rice. The Malaysians of these islands and the Peninsula, abandoned between the thirteenth and fifteenth centuries, their original creed—Hinduism, probably with a considerable mixture of primeval nature worship—for that of Mohammed, Spanish and Portuguese missionaries made little impression in the parts now occupied by the Dutch and English, but the self-devotion of the Spanish Friars converted the natives of the Philippines to Christianity. But whether as disciples of the Prophet or followers of the Cross they are far from strict in their observances. They exhibit the inextinguishable tendencies of a people wedded to fanatic beliefs, essentially unmoral, cursed by an apathetic indolence and a childish incontinuity of purpose. In short, they are not an altogether promising addition to the White Man's Burden. The Dutch have governed their possessions with the very definite idea of getting a profit out of them. They found their share of the East Indies a valuable but undeveloped property, thickly populated with an indolent, ease-loving race. Unless the people could be made to work, commercial success was impossible. They imposed on the natives heavy burdens; taxes of all kinds, including a poll tax, tithes of new crops, selections from their lands for Government purposes, forced labour, and the like. In this way the Malaysians have been taught to work, not because they like it, but because they must starve if they do not toil. The result has been chronic discontent, frequent rebellions, and a general sense of insecurity among the Dutch Colonists, while, owing to a variety of causes, the remittances home are falling off. The English, on the other hand, have treated the Native States of British Malaya as a trust. Their inhabitants have been but lightly taxed, and every man knows himself and his property to be secure against tyranny and extortion. Not a penny of income has been spent out of the country, and the expenses of management have been under eighteen per cent of the revenue. When the moderate demands of the tax collector are satisfied, the British Malayan may be as idle as he pleases; his opinions, feelings and susceptibilities are as far as possible consulted. The result is contentment and an inflow from Dutch towards British Possessions. But the mineral wealth of the country has greatly aided its prosperity, and the natives, without compulsion, would never have helped in developing this Chinese labour has been welcomed. The United States have now taken possession of the Philippines; how will they deal with them? They will find the natives, though nominally Christian, worse rather than better from being under the rule of Spain. They will approve of our principle of making them pay only their working expenses; but will they have the courage to admit the unpopular Chinaman and to treat the native as one who is physically man, but mentally and morally a youth or child? We rule him, and say nothing about the Suffrage or Self-government. Our cousins may think that education and contact with their energetic representatives will speedily teach the Malayan to govern himself and take his place among the citizens of the Union. It is easy to draw, for platform purposes, charming pictures of the emancipated and Americanized Filipino, but Mr. Clifford effaces them with the common sense of a homely proverb: "You cannot make a silk purse out of a sow's ear. Try to do it; try to treat the Malayan as you would do those who have gone through the age-long training of the Western European races, and the result will be dismal failure."—*Cablenews.*

## BELLIOS TERRACE ROBBERY.

## INTERESTING FACTS.

The continuation of the Bellios Terrace robbery case, was heard before Mr. Sercombe Smith this afternoon, when Lui Ngau was brought up on remand.

Mr. F. B. L. Rowley, Crown Solicitor, prosecuted.

Chan Cheung, the man who had been committed for trial at the last hearing in connection with the case, went into the witness-box and gave evidence. He said he was an unemployed carpenter, and before his arrest was living in a coolie house at East Point. About six o'clock of the morning of the robbery the defendant called on him. He went downstairs, and was surprised to see other men there. They went to the Tak Hing tea shop, and there met two other men whom he did not know. During tea a conversation was opened about Bellios Terrace, the defendant observing they would go there so they left the tea-shop and went to an opium divan at Stanley Street, where three of them had a smoke while the remainder slept. Lui Ngau awoke them and said he was ready for "work," and at about 10 o'clock they left the divan and went as far as the stone steps leading up to Bellios Terrace. The leader of the gang told them to wait there while the went up to have a look around. After a while the man came back and subsequently took several of them to the door of 18 Bellios Terrace. Lui Ngau produced a letter from his pocket. Witness acted as watchman. The door was locked when they arrived and he did not see who opened it. Four of the gang entered the house and witness remained outside. In about twenty minutes the men returned. He did not see the rags used for gags etc., as they had been wrapped in paper in the Wing Fung boarding house. When he asked Fey Chai Nguen what he had in the parcel, the reply he got was that he was taking something to the house. The cloths were used for hanging over altars, and must have been taken from the Yuen Wo's lodging house where he had previously seen them. After the robbery he left for 23, Queen's Road, East, and subsequently returned to the lodging house and found that his *confreres* had left. Later in the evening he saw Lui Ngau, and asked where the other men were, and was told they had run away. After defendant had pawned a silver watch witness received \$5. He did not know how much it was pawned for.

Lui Ngau, in defence, stated that he was in the Public Gardens with a friend, and five men approached him, and asked him to go and have a bath. He asked them where? "Up there," they replied. They proceeded towards Bellios Terrace, and one of them said "let us go up and get something to eat." When they arrived at the steps Fey Chai Nguen produced a letter, which he handed him to take up. He declined, saying he was tired. Yow Chai took the letter. They went up with the intention of getting something to eat, but he saw Yow Chai knock the door, and five others followed him up. He asked Chan Cheung what the matter was, and the reply he got was "robbery, steal the mistress's things." He wanted to run back, but was told that he need not go upstairs, and whether he ran or not he was taking part. Hearing the dog bark, he ran away with Chan Cheung following as far as Bowington, where he spoke to some friends saying that Fey Chai Nguen had got him into trouble. When it was getting dark he returned home, and someone in his lodging-house told him to go to Chan Cheung's boarding house. He went there and one of the men gave him a silver watch and a bangle to pawn. He refused to do anything of the kind, and was forced him to accept 50 cents as a bribe. On descending the stairs, Fey Chai Nguen and Yow Chai shouted out, "If you give the secret away, or anything happens, or trouble takes place we will beat you to death."

Defendant was committed for trial at the next Criminal Sessions.

## FOOTBALL.

The following are the teams for the Rugby game to-morrow. Kick-off 4.15. Wolfe's team.—Back: MacDonald; Three-quarters: Robertson, Stoyles, Nelward, Loveland, Halves: Whitmore, Roberts, Forwards: Chard, Stroyer, Rogers, Crake, Garrett, Kohler, Rhodes and Wolfe.

Sandford's team.—Back: Campbell; Three-quarters: Barnes, Pierce, Deche, Chesney; Halves: Walsh, De Venille. Forwards: Rowley, Dutton, Morley White, Lamb, Scandlers, Sandford and A. N. Other.

## SHIPPING AND MAILS.

## MAILS DUE.

English (*Chusan*) to-morrow.  
Australian (*Changsha*) 8th inst.  
Indian (*Grigory Ador*) 9th inst.  
German (*Preussen*) 11th inst.  
American (*Nippon Maru*) 12th inst.  
German (*Prins Heinrich*) 12th inst.  
Tacoma (*Olympia*) 15th inst.  
American (*Siberia*) 20th inst.

The Silk ex s.s. *Tacoma* arrived at New York on 31st ult.

The N. P. S. Co's s.s. *Olympia* arrived at Yokohama on 5th inst.

The N. P. S. Co's s.s. *Victoria* arrived at Victoria, B.C., on 4th inst.

The Glen Line s.s. *Glasgow*, from London, &c., left Singapore this morning, and is due here on 14th inst., at daylight.

The N. P. S. Co's s.s. *Tacoma* sailed from Victoria, B.C., for Yokohama and the usual ports on 5th inst., and may be expected here on 4th prox.

THE Beer to drink in the tropics is the Beer made in the tropics—SAN MIGUEL.



## TELEGRAMS.

(Reuters.)

## Independence of the Isthmus of Panama.

LONDON, 4th November.

The independence of the Isthmus of Panama was proclaimed yesterday evening; a large and enthusiastic crowd of all political parties marched to the headquarters of the Government troops where Generals Tovar and Amya who had arrived in the morning were imprisoned.

It is announced in Washington that the gunboat *Nashville* was despatched to Colon in consequence of the unsettled and dangerous conditions prevailing in Central American countries in addition to the disquieting news from Panama.

LATER.

The Panama revolutionists who resent the non-ratification of the Panama Canal Treaty have seized the Federal war-ships, imprisoned all the Naval and Military officers and organised a government under a triumvirate. Several American war-ships have gone to Panama and Colon to maintain the free transit of the Isthmus.

The Colombian war-ships at Santa Fé de Bogota are bombarding Panama. The United States Consul has been ordered to protest.

## New York Politics.

McClellan, the Tammany nominee, has been elected Mayor of Greater New York, defeating the reform candidate Seth Low by a large majority.

LATER.

## Great Britain and Tibet.

Col. J. R. L. Macdonald, formerly Commissioner at Uganda, is about to advance into Tibet with a large escort of troops owing to the dilatoriness of the Chinese and Tibetans who have kept the British Frontier Commissioners idling on the frontier for months.

## The United States Elections.

In the State elections, the Republicans have been victorious in Ohio, Pennsylvania, Rhode Island, Massachusetts and Nebraska; and the Democrats in Kentucky, Virginia and Maryland.

(Japanese Exchange.)

## Japan and Russia in the Orient.

LATEST NEWS FROM CORIA.

Wiju, October 28th.

Mr. Hagiwara, Secretary of the Legation, interviewed M. Kiamatoff, Commander of the Russian forces at Antung, yesterday and demanded an explanation of the action of the Russian in prohibiting him from landing at Ryong-an. The Russian officer pleaded that he had not received instructions to enter into negotiations about the matter and declined to continue the interview. The Japanese Secretary is now seeking an interview with the Russian officer in command at Ryong-an.—*Mainichi.*

Seoul, October 28th.

Mr. Hayashi, Japanese Minister to Seoul, has sent an official note to the Government inquiring if the report that Shō Se-ko, Forestry Inspector, has issued an official note to the Russian Timber Co. declaring that all the timber on the Yalu belongs to the company, is accurate. Mr. Hayashi warned the Government that there will be diplomatic trouble if the report is true.

A Wiju despatch states that Mr. Hagiwara proceeded to Antung yesterday.

Mr. Nakai has been elected Chief of the Japanese subjects in Seoul.—*Mainichi.*

Seoul, October 28th.

The Korean Foreign Minister forwarded an official note to the British and Japanese Ministers the day before yesterday, advising them that the opening of Ryong-an is still uncertain, although he laid the matter before the Cabinet some time ago. The Korean Minister promised that he would do his best to settle the matter quickly. The Korean Government, as previously reported, are watching the progress of the Japan-Russian negotiations very closely and the Ryong-an affair will not be disposed of until the negotiations are finally settled.

Shō Se-ko, Forestry Inspector, who has been up to the Yalu, returned to Seoul the day before yesterday. The French Minister to Seoul will sail for Europe on the 2nd proximo.—*Asahi.*

## CRICKET.

The following members will represent the Club in the match—H. K. C. C. The Peak on Saturday, 7th inst. Play commences at 11 a.m.—F. H. Batchelor, R. E. O. Bird, R. R. Horley, R. N. Lieut. Heath, 110 B. I., W. F. Lumsden, R. A. F. Mallard, Lt. Mahon, R. N. Gerald, Moore, R. N. T. E. Pearce, W. C. D. Turner and A. Wilson, R. N. Reserves: S. B. Norfolk, R. N. F. F. Gibson, R. N. Capt. Tulloch, R. A.

## HONGKONG CRICKET LEAGUE.

The following matches will be played to-morrow at 2.15 p.m. sharp—4th Match, Crigengower C. C. v. A. O. C. 5th Match, H. K. C. C. "A" team v. R. E. The Crigengower team will be—R. Bass, L. E. Lammert, A. O. Brown, E. R. Herton, E. Ford, L. A. Ross, T. L. Cross, J. D. Kinaird, R. Pestouji, M. H. Hartman, and J. L. Stuart.

## LEAGUE MATCH.

The following will represent the H. K. C. C. in their League Match against the R. E. to-morrow at the Happy Valley. Play commences at 2.15 p.m. sharp—F. D. Bain, C. P. Chater, G. H. Edwards, G. G. Gibb, C. P. Gray, J. Hooper, F. H. Kew, G. P. Lammert, (Capt.) D. Piper, N. H. Rutherford, and H. R. Wells.

## DISTURBANCE AT CAUSEWAY BAY.

A disturbance took place at Causeway Bay yesterday morning resulting in a fight between hawkers in which the police had to interfere. It appears that late in the morning, a couple of fruit hawkers who were chased along Yee Woo Street by the police sought refuge in the coolie quarters of the Cotton Mill. After the police had retired one of the coolies from the mill stole some of the hawkers' fruit and ran away. The hawkers chased the man and, while they were away, the other coolies annexed the whole stock. A free fight followed and the hawkers retreated, threatening to return with their friends and wreak dire vengeance. About seven o'clock in the evening a big crowd gathered near Kennedy's stables and the Cotton Mill, in the hope of witnessing a battle. However, the police were on the alert and patrolling the road, dispersed the gathering.

## OPEN SPACES.

APPLICATION FOR EXEMPTION.

Mr. E. M. Hazeland, on behalf of the owner of Nos. 127 to 141, Hollywood Road (8 houses), made an application to the Sanitary Board for exemption from the provision of open spaces under section 180 of the Public Health and Building Ordinance, and pointed out that in consequence of their situation the houses would always enjoy an unobstructed open space of an unlimited area in their rear, as the houses in Circular Pathway cannot be increased in height under Ord. 1 of 1903. The depth of the houses varies from 27 ft. to 33 ft. Each house would be well lighted and ventilated, as the fronts were practically open on the upper floors facing Hollywood Road. The windows would be each 3 ft. 6 in. by 7 ft. Exemption from the provision of yard space was granted to the owner by the Sanitary Board in May, 1902, in respect of existing houses.

The Director of Public Works intimated:—I see that the scavenging lane is shown to be only 3 ft. in width and it would be impossible to widen in future by taking 3 ft. from the adjacent houses as they are on a much lower level. I think exemption might be recommended on condition that the lane is made 6 ft. wide and that no compensation is to be paid in respect to it.

Dr. Barnett intimated:—I think exemption from provision of an open space might be granted in this case so long as the window in the rear is not cut off from the main room so as to form a lobby.

He also intimated:—In the rear of these proposed houses is a retaining wall on which the rear wall will stand. This retaining wall has been patched considerably and is somewhat bulged in places. I think the P.W.D. should have their attention called to this retaining wall so that they may consider, if they have not already done so, as to whether it is capable of upholding this enormous weight of the proposed rear wall.

The matter was discussed at yesterday's meeting of the Board.

The President said that exemption was granted last year for the existing houses and this application was made in reference to the proposed re-erection under section 180. He moved that the exemption be granted subject to the conditions stipulated by the Director of Public Works.

Captain Lyons seconded and the motion was agreed to.

Mr. Rumjahn rose and drew the attention of the Board to certain irregularity in the performance of duty by the Asst. Medical Officer of Health in this matter and referred to that officer's second minute. He moved that the Standing Orders be suspended to enable him to make his remarks on the subject.

The President:—I think it is necessary to give notice of motion so as to allow that officer to make any explanation he may think necessary.

Mr. Rumjahn:—Certain remarks made by the Asst. M. O. H. would if published depreciate the value of this property. Dr. Barnett has no business to make these statements. He is not an engineer, and I beg to say that he is not.

The President: I must call you to order. You should have given notice of motion to suspend the Standing Orders.

Mr. Hewitt:—I second Mr. Rumjahn's motion that the Standing Orders be suspended so as to enable him to make his statement at this meeting.

The motion was put to the meeting and carried.

Mr. Rumjahn:—Sir, on reference to the plan attached to the papers it is clear that the rear wall of the proposed houses, for which exemption has been applied for will not stand on the retaining wall. It is 3 feet away from it. Dr. Barnett's remark that it will stand on that retaining wall is wrong. He even does not understand the plan sent in to the Board attached to the papers. He took a great deal of trouble to examine the retaining wall—another man's property—and stated that it had been patched up considerably and was somewhat bulged. These statements are inaccurate. That was a rubble wall. He must have wasted a considerable time in examining that wall, which formed the back wall of eight houses in the rear of the houses for which the application has been made. He had to go through eight houses and then formed his opinion on the condition of that wall. I submit, Sir, that officer should not have acted as he had done. If he had confined himself to the sanitary part of the matter leaving the Building Authority to do his great deal of unnecessary annoyance and waste of time would have been averted. He was not competent to act as an engineer. By sending the papers backward and forward to the P. W. D. a great deal of time was unnecessarily wasted. The Building Authority could look after himself better without the M. O. H.'s interference.

## DARING ROBBERY AT MORRISON HILL GAP.

A Chinese thief broke into a European house, No. 3, Morrison Hill Gap, in the early hours of this morning. This dwelling was the scene of a similar crime several months ago, when a silver watch and money was stolen from the inmates and the thief got away unpunished. This time, however, the culprit and his associate were captured and the stolen property recovered. At the time the robbery took place the occupants of the house were asleep, with the exception of Mr. Laing, who was kept awake, as he was suffering from a sprained hand. About 2 a.m. a Chinaman climbed up the rain-pipe and got on to the first-floor verandah. He went into several rooms and searched about for sometime without attracting attention subsequently went to the bed side of Mr. Laing, and took down a coat from which he extracted a silver watch and chain. He was about to continue his search of the premises when the gentleman who had been robbed sprang out of bed and chased him on to the verandah. The Chinaman managed to get over in the nick of time and climbed along the verandahs of different houses. Mr. Laing, thereupon, aroused the other inmates and ran down into the street in time to see another man acting as a scout, hiding under a tree. On reaching the road he saw the thief succeed in reaching the ground by sliding down a rain pipe. He thereupon chased the Chinaman and managed to catch him near the Naval Hospital, though during the chase the thief threw the watch into a nullah. The accomplice had fled in an opposite direction. Sergeant Landers now came upon the scene, and the rogue was placed into custody, and the watch was recovered and handed over to the police. At about six o'clock this morning a Chinese detective visited an opium den, at No. 64, Stanley Street, and effected the arrest of the second man, who had been seen sitting outside the house at Morrison Hill Gap. This native told the detective that he did not take part in the robbery, but only followed his chum. They were charged before Mr. Sercombe Smith this morning. It was ascertained that they were unemployed vagabonds, having only lately arrived in the Colony. The thief was sentenced to four months' hard labour, and to be exhibited for six hours in the stocks, and his accomplice to one month's gaol and three hours in the stocks.

## NOTES FROM THE NEW TERRITORY.

(From Our Own Correspondent.)

November 5th.

In a recent issue, we published information concerning the sinking of a flower-boat, which was being towed by the launch *Wingfoot*, on the Samchun river. This boat has now been raised and the body of another victim was found inside of it. It is rumoured that at the time the accident occurred, the *Wingfoot* had not a licensed coxswain on board. Several other calamities of this kind are likely to occur so long as the authorities do not insist that launches used for towing purposes are provided with long wooden fenders outside, so that junks, when lashed alongside, cannot get under the streak board of the tug. Rumours are rife that Santin police station is about to be done away with and it is very doubtful if this will prove a wise measure. Robberies are frequent in the district and along the Chinese border, and the thieves enjoy a certain advantage in being able to commit their depredations in our territory a night and get back almost immediately over the frontier, where it is impossible to secure their capture. The Chinese are beginning to cut the paddy-crop, and in some of the fields they have commenced getting in the sugar-cane. The cane sent over for trial by the authorities does not seem to interest the natives, for, up to the present, it has not given better results than the local plant; with the exception of a small plantation at Santin police station, where it has been grown to nearly double the size of the ordinary cane. This is probably owing to the better care given to its cultivation. Mr. Chubb, who is in charge of the I. M. C. Station at Shamchun, was recently robbed of a considerable quantity of jewelry by his boy. There seems to be little chance of recovering the stolen property and all efforts to capture the culprit have proved unavailing. The following promotions amongst the I. M. C. officers stationed in the district have recently been announced. Mr. Clarkson to be acting boat-officer at Amoy. Mr. M. Power to be 1st class tide-waiter and acting harbor-master at Wuchow. Mr. Husted to be acting examiner at Fi-Lin-Tin. Messrs. Davis, McKenzie, Anderson and Potter are all promoted to be 1st class tide-waiters. Shooting prospects are poor in the New Territory, snipe is much scarcer than last year and the heavy rain during the hatching-season has killed off most of the partridge chicks. Quails are few and far between. In Deep Bay there are already considerable quantities of duck, but the birds are very wild and the big stretches of mud-flats make it very difficult to approach them to within anything like an effective range. Chan Na Kit, the military mandarin in charge of the Mantan district, was recently called to Canton by the Viceroy. It was rumoured that he would be dismissed from his appointment, but he has recently returned with 150 braves.

It is stated that Mr. Pierpont Morgan and Mr. Schwab, formerly president of the American Steel Trust and one of the organizers of the Shipbuilding Trust, dumped the bankrupt Bethlehem Shipbuilding Works upon the Shipbuilding Trust, and so made a profit of 5,000,000 (£1,000,000) in stock. Mr. Morgan and Mr. Schwab are also accused of selling stock in advance of other pooled shipyard stocks. Indignation is expressed on Wall-street, New York, and great excitement prevails at the revelations. Mr. Morgan's denial is considered evasive.

## V.R.C. REGATTA.

Crews for the Chairman's Challenge Cup, selected on the 4th instant, are as follows:—

Thistle—Station 1.

T. Millar—stroke.

A. E. Asger.

L. A. Musso.

J. A. S. Alves.

Shamrock—Station 2.

R. Lapsley—stroke.

R. C. Witchell.

F. D. Bain.

N. H. Alves.

Kornblum—Station 3.

A. E. Alves—stroke.

H. C. Austin.

A. L. Loureiro.

G. H. Rubie.

Rose—Station 4.

C. E. A. Hance—stroke.

F. M. Rosa Ferreira.

H. S. Holmes.

F. K. Tala.

## CANTON NOTES.

(From Our Own Correspondent.)

Canton, 4th November.

## IMPROVEMENTS.

A wonderful change has taken place on the river at Canton. The "Flower Boats" have all been moved. Visitors to Canton must have noticed the large boats just below the steamer landing. These boats have been anchored in this place for years. Year by year the number has increased. For some time it has been difficult to keep the boats from occupying the space necessary for the steamers to pass up and down. Many attempts have been made to shift the boats but without success. A few days ago the boats were served with notices to move. The new anchorage is just at the head of "Dutch Folly." The river is now clear from the steamer wharfs down below the Medical Missionary Societies' Hospital. The shifting of these boats has made a decided improvement in the appearance of Canton. The Chinese say that the foreigners want the old anchorage to build houses upon. Others say that the "bund" is soon to be built and this space is needed.

## CHAN TING WAI BEHEADED.

When Viceroy Shen returned from Kwangsi he was met by a number of small guard boats and steam launches. When the crackers of welcome were let off a bullet flew past the head of the Viceroy. Because of this the man at the head of the guard boats was arrested and kept in prison. Last Monday he was beheaded. There was no evidence to prove that the shot was fired by Chan Ting Wai but he was responsible for the conduct of those under him and had to pay the penalty. He was executed on the common execution ground. There are many protests because of the way the trial was conducted. The small officials say that it is impossible to get an impartial trial.

## LI KA CHEUK.

The native papers are in error in saying that Li Ka Cheuk has been beheaded. He is still in prison. A few days ago he was thrust into the inner prison from which few men come forth unless it is to go to the execution ground. The Chinese regard Li's case as hopeless. The fact is he has not the money to buy himself free. A number of friends are willing to help, but their purses are not deep enough. The ex-Nam Hoi Poy, who was relieved from office shortly after Viceroy Shen arrived, has contributed over \$30,000 towards the Viceroy's expenses and as a result he is likely to be allowed to live. The newly dismissed Nam Hoi, Wong Sung, has been compelled to contribute \$140,000 towards the Viceroy's amusements. No Viceroy of the Two Kwangs has forced so much money out of the officials under him. This may be better than squeezing the people, but it really amounts to the same thing. The more the Viceroy squeezes the more the men under him squeeze. It is rather amusing to hear the expressions of pleasure from the people who rejoice that the Viceroy is squeezing the officials.

Canton, 5th November.

## EXECUTIONS.

Eleven men were beheaded at the public execution grounds two days ago. Among these was the head guard at the Nam Hoi yamen. This man was accused of taking bribes and demanding acquiescence from those who had cases at the yamen. The charge was easily proved and the man tried to escape. He got out of the yamen under the pretence of going to the barber and then tried to leave the city. He was captured, and immediately sent to the execution ground.

## THE EX-NAM HOI MAGISTRATE.

The ex-Nam Hoi magistrate Poy has been on trial for two days at the Pun U's office. The charges against him are under one head "extortion." It is well known that this magistrate made a very large fortune while in office. Already he has been mulcted of \$300,000 by the Viceroy. If he is able to free himself from the clutches of the law, as represented by the present Viceroy, he will have little of his fortune left.

## HOSPITALS THREATENED.

The Wai Oi Kwong Tsai, and the Canton Hospitals have been served with a notice to pay a large sum of money within a certain given time or have their premises destroyed. This is most likely the work of some low fellow who wished to play a joke. No notice is taken of the letters sent and there is no probability that the threat will be carried out. Even robbers have enough sense to let benevolent institutions, such as the above, alone. Some low scamp has sent the letters to create some excitement, but he has failed in his purpose.

## A DEATH AT THE RAILWAY.

A Mr. Wilson, who has been employed at the Railway, died this morning, and will be buried this afternoon.

## COMMERCIAL.

TO-DAY'S INTELLIGENCE.

Quotations close as follows:—	
Banks	... \$63 1/2 L'don £62
China Traders	... \$61
Indo-Chinas	... \$74
Douglases	... \$31
Star Forries	... \$26 1/2, 16 new b.
Shell Transports	... 18-b.
China Sugars	... \$96 b.
Docks	... \$20 1/2 b.
Kowloon Wharves	... \$86 s.
Farnhams	... Tls. 117 1/2
Hongkong Lands	... \$153 s.
Hongkong Hotels	... \$147
Ices	... \$248

## PUNJOIS.

The Secretary of the Punjom Mining Co., Ltd., informs us that a telegram was received from the mines last evening stating that the mill starts again on the 5th instant, 15 stamps running.

## SHANGHAI SHARE REPORT.

The following résumé of the week's share transactions is from Messrs. J. A. Sullivan and Co.'s report, published on 31st October.

The heavy settlement showing large losses is through and although speculators have been hard hit, the feeling in the market is one of relief that there have been no failures reported; but several operators are being carried in hopes that the future may develop a healthier tone and enable them to recover in part some of their losses. Only settlement adjustments have been looked after this week and very little new business is recorded. On London the demand rate is quoted to-day at 2/6 1/2. Consols 188 3/4. There is no change in the Bank rate for 3 days' sight from Hongkong.

Wharves—Shanghai and Hongkong Wharf shares have changed ownership at Tls. 217 1/2. Shares can be had on time at equivalent rates. Yangtze Godowns are offering 58 1/2.

Shipping—Indo Chinas have been sold for cash and settlement at Tls. 55, Tls. 56 and Tls. 55. For November Tls. 56 has been done. December shares have been contracted for at Tls. 57 1/2. March at Tls. 58. Tug and Lighters are offering, Macao's are unchanged. There are sellers of Shells at 19/-.

Docks—Late buying for the settlement caused a rise in Farnham Hoys, and shares were sold at Tls. 117 1/2, Tls. 120, 121 1/2, Tls. 118, Tls. 121 1/2, Tls. 119. This event having passed the tone is easier to-day and shares are obtainable at Tls. 118 1/2. For November a solitary sale at Tls. 116 is reported. December sales have been made at Tls. 117 1/2, Tls. 116 1/2, Tls. 120, 121 1/2, Tls. 119. For January Tls. 117 1/2 is reported. March shares have been dealt in at Tls. 120, Tls. 119 1/2, Tls. 122 1/2. Hongkongs have changed hands at \$200.

Sugars—Peraks are not inquired for. Chinas are quoted at \$97 in Hongkong; with buyers.

Mining—Chinese Engineering and Mining shares have been sold at Tls. 6 1/2 ex the interim dividend of 38 cents paid. Raubs are not wanted. For September the returns from the mine give 620 oz. of gold won from 2,400 tons of stone.

Tobacco—A transaction in Sumatras is announced at Tls. 51. Sales of Langkats have been made at Tls. 26 1/2, 27 1/2, Tls. 27 1/2, Tls. 27 1/2, Tls. 27 1/2, 28 1/2 for cash and settlement. December shares have been placed at Tls. 27 1/2 and Tls. 27 1/2. For March sales at Tls. 28 1/2, 28 1/2, 28 1/2 are reported.

## TO-DAY'S EXCHANGE.

ON LONDON, Telegraphic Transfer, 1/9 13/16	
" Bank Bills, on demand	1/9 1/2
" Credits, 4 months' sight	1/9 1/2
" (Dante's 4 months' sight	1/9 1/2
ON BERLIN, (demand)	M. 186
ON PARIS, Bank Bills, on demand	2.29
" Credits, 4 months' sight	2.32 1/2
ON NEW YORK, Bank Bills, on demand	44 1/2
" Credits, 30 days' sight	44 1/2
ON BOMBAY, Telegraphic Transfer	135 1/2
" On demand	135 1/2
ON SHANGHAI, Telegraphic Transfer	71 1/2
" Private 30 days' sight	nom.
ON YOKOHAMA, T.T.	88 1/2
Sovereigns, Bank's Buying Rate	\$11.12
Gold Leaf 100 touch, per tael	\$7.90
Bar Silver	\$72 1/2

## OPIUM QUOTATIONS.

To-day's quotations are as follows:—	Per chest
MALWA NEW	880/910
" LAST YEAR	960/1,000
" OLDEST	1,030/1,050
PATNA NEW	1,115
BENARES NEW	1,112 1/2
PERSIAN (PAPER)	750/830

## To-day's Advertisements.

DOUGLAS STEAMSHIP COMPANY, LIMITED.

FOR SWATOW, AMOY AND TAMSUI.

THE Company's Steamship

"HAIMUN,"  
Captain Gibson, will be despatched for the above Ports, on TUESDAY, the 10th instant, at Noon.

For Freight or Passage apply to

DOUGLAS, LAIPRAIK & Co.,  
General Managers,  
Hongkong, 6th November, 1903. [13376]

## To-day's Advertisements.

## PUBLIC AUCTION.

THE Undersigned have received instruction to Sell by PUBLIC AUCTION, FOR ACCOUNT OF THE CONCERNED, TO-MORROW (SATURDAY), the 7th November, 1903, at 11 A.M., at SIU YICK'S GODOWN, WEST POINT, 15 BAGS OF SUGAR. TERMS:—As usual.

HUGHES &amp; HOUGH,

Auctioneers.

Hongkong, 6th November, 1903. [13366]

DOUGLAS STEAMSHIP COMPANY, LIMITED.

FOR SWATOW, AMOY AND FOCHOW

THE Company's Steamship

"HAITAN,"  
Captain Roach, will be despatched for the above Ports, on WEDNESDAY, the 11th instant, at Daylight.

For Freight or Passage apply to  
DOUGLAS, LAIPRAIK & Co.,  
General Managers,  
Hongkong, 6th November, 1903. [13386]

BOSTON STEAMSHIP COMPANY.

## NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

STEAMSHIP "SHAWMUT,"  
FROM MANILA.

The above Steamer having arrived, Consignees of Cargo are hereby requested to send in their Bills of Lading for countersignature and to take immediate delivery of their Goods from alongside.

Cargo impeding the discharge of the Vessel will be landed and stored at Consignees' risk and expense.

No Fire Insurance will be effected by us in any case whatever.

DODWELL & CO., LIMITED,  
Agents.

Hongkong, 6th November, 1903. [874d]

THE PORTLAND AND ASIATIC STEAMSHIP COMPANY.

## NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

S.S. "INDRAPURA,"  
FROM PORTLAND (OR.) YOKOHAMA,  
KOBE AND MOJI.

THE above steamer having arrived, Consignees of Cargo are hereby requested to send in their Bills of Lading for countersignature and to take immediate delivery of their Goods from alongside.

Cargo impeding the discharge of the vessel will be landed and stored at Consignees' risk and expense.

No Fire Insurance will be effected by us in any case whatever.</







## Shipping.

## Arrivals.

Möme, Ger. gunboat, 1,529, Fasper, 5th Nov.,—Manila 2nd Nov.	
Tyr, Nor. s.s., 1,418, Danielsen, 5th Nov.,—Canton 5th Nov., Gen.—E. A. T. Co.	
Bengal, Br. s.s., 2,751, Philipps, 6th Nov.,—Shanghai 3rd Nov., Mails and Gen.—P. & O. S. N. Co.	
Mutine, Br. sloop, 980, Comdr. Plenderleath, 6th Nov.,—from a cruise.	
Shawmut, Am. s.s., 9,616, Smith, 6th Nov.,—Manila 4th Nov., Gen.—D. & Co., Ltd.	
Hoihow, Fr. s.s., 509, Merles, 6th Nov.,—Haiphong 3rd Nov., Mails and Gen.—A. R. M.	
Indrapura, Br. s.s., 3,151, Hollingsworth, 6th Nov.,—Portland, Or. 2nd Oct., Gen.—P. & A. S. S. Co.	
Chowla, Ger. s.s., 1,055, Köcher, 6th Nov.,—Bangkok 19th Oct., Rice and Gen.—B. & S.	
Sungkiang, Br. s.s., 1,021, Outerbridge, 6th Nov.,—Manila 3rd Nov., Gen.—B. & S.	
Hailan, Fr. s.s., 377, Andersen, 6th Nov.,—Pakhoi and Hoihow 5th Nov., Gen.—A. R. M.	

## Clearances at the Harbour Office.

Kansu, for Ningpo.	
Oscar II, for Kutchinotzu.	
Simangan, for Amoy.	
Macau, for Kwong-chow-wan.	
Elig, for Canton.	
Denadler, for Saigon.	
Ching, for Amoy.	
Ching, for Manila.	
Hingang, for Hongay.	
Zafiro, for Manila.	

## Departures.

China, for San Francisco.	
Petchaburi, for Bangkok.	
Itchoh, for Kobe.	
Deulera, for Newchwang.	
Kinseng, for Australian Ports.	
Mathilde, for Swatow.	
Kansu, for Shanghai.	

## Passengers arrived.

Per Hoihow, from Haiphong, Lieut. Mr. MacDukel, and 20 Chinese.	
Per Shawmut, from Manila—Lieut. Ellis, U.S.A., Mr. and Mrs. Stewart A. Carey, Messrs. Barrett, J. Blake, J. Potter, and 1 Japanese.	
Per Bengal, from Shanghai for Hongkong—Messrs. T. E. Pearce, E. A. Weichert, Singletary, Mr. and Mrs. Fontana, Messrs. Del Font, Buraco, Oggeri, G. Baldissaro, D. Baldissaro, L. Baldissaro, G. Bredda, M. Butino, P. Gallo, D. Gallo, R. D. Watt, A. Veonda, A. Sandino, F. Hubbe, Dr. O. Müller and native servant, On Tat Kin and servant, Getley, Mitchell, and 1 Chinese assistant. For London—Mr. J. G. Mackenzie. From Yokohama—Mr. Lynn Miller. For Bombay—Mr. M. N. Gobhai.	
Per Sungkiang, from Manila—Messrs. M. de los Reyes, Mauro Resurreccion, Jas. Barry, M. A. Gader, Hung Kam Ning, Mrs. Sofia Levy, J. H. Wilson, Robt. Gissel, Civial Smith, A. Taylor, M. B. Riley, Frank Croft, Mr. and Mrs. Emilio Mastines, Llanos, J. B. Fair and child, Curry A. Sang, H. W. Bramham, W. B. Secor, W. Burwell, L. London, C. H. Moore, J. Hunter, B. S. Hagen, Fred. Kay, Goldsbrough, Luciano Almoneda, and 21 Chinese.	

## Passengers departed.

Per Rastila, for Manila—Mr. H. Lee, Capt. J. S. Battle, U.S.A., Messrs. Thos. F. Fleming, Oliver D. Filley, Miss Mary I. Young, Mr. and Mrs. McClellan and son, Messrs. H. W. Halliburton, Harry J. E. Thomas, Louis J. Hammer, Ng Yuen Cheong, Miss Shiki Tanaka, Messrs. K. Taniguchi, Fung Top, R. F. Walsh, Harukichi Suzuki, Sojiro Ino, Sojiro Maruyama, Yamada Shokichi, Teiji Tsuneyama, Yoshio Nakatsuka, Mr. and Mrs. Leon J. Pelle, Messrs. Chook Sim, Geo. E. Rowe, Chas. R. McBride, Fred. McClellan, L. M. Cray, George W. Vilain, Wm. Manion, Ng Yuen Non, F. I. Rosch, Miss Yuki Sagara, Messrs. Kam Yok, Wong Chan Sam and a children, Jim Matsui Kumamoto, Shohai Komine, Eugene Kummer, Benji Maruyama, Kumamoto Yamazaki and Fujimura Taiyo.	
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## Shipping Reports.

Str. Sungkiang from Manila—Light and fresh N. wind, fine clear weather, moderate and smooth sea.	
Str. Indrapura from Portland, Oregon—Fresh N.E. monsoons, and dull weather through Formosa Channel, from Lamocks light W. winds, and fine clear weather.	

## Steamers Expected.

Vessels	From	Agents	Due
Chusan	Singapore	P. & O. Co.	Nov. 7
Rohilla Maru	Manila	N. Y. K.	Nov. 7
Changsha	Manila	B. & S.	Nov. 8
Benmohr	Singapore	G. L. & Co.	Nov. 8
Gregory Apar	Singapore	S. & Co., Ltd.	Nov. 9
Preussen	Singapore	B. & S.	Nov. 9
Nippon Maru	Japan	M. & Co.	Nov. 11
Prinz Heinrich	Singapore	M. & Co.	Nov. 12
Tijlstrup	Macassar	M. & Co.	Nov. 12
Glenfarg	Singapore	M. & Co.	Nov. 12
Olympia	Victoria	N. P. Co.	Nov. 16
Siberia	San Francisco	P. M. Co.	Nov. 20
Tijpanas	Japan	E. S. J. & Co.	Nov. 21
Trenont	Victoria	D. & Co.	Nov. 25
Pedrasamba	Portland	P. & A. Co.	Dec. 4
Taconia	Victoria	N. P. Co.	Dec. 4

## Ships Passed The Canal.

Outward—3rd October—Hyon, 6th October—Pintshire, Longships, Ganja, Keenan, 10th October—Benmohr, 13th October—Glenfarg, Draken, 16th October—Stolberg, Hudson, Kingsgrove, 20th October—Tombia Maru, 24th October—Dunghakshira, Tamba Maru, Nurnberg, 27th October—Armand, Zette, Behic, 30th October—Ceylon, Pelous, Benlomo, Moyune British Monarch, Princess Marie, 7th Nov., 4th November—Ambria, Konig Albert.	
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Homeward—3rd October—Sigmund, 10th October—Sydney, 13th October—Mogul, 20th October—Braemar, Kamakura Maru, Prinz Heinrich, Manila, 24th October—Konigsberg, Merionethshire, Ajax, Prometheus, 27th October—Bamberg, 30th October—Glaucus, Andalusia, 4th November—Inaba Maru, Ping Sney, Socotra.	
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Arrivals at Home—10th October—Salazie, Badenia, Benarty, Benledi, Kautschou, 12th October—Palawan, 13th October—Nestor, 16th October—Awa Maru, Verona, Kennebec, 20th October—Albenga, Alesia, 24th October—Heathford, Bayern, Hector, Tenkin, 27th October—Indrawadi, Arabia, 29th October—Candia, 30th October—Eclips, Sitonta, 4th November—Annam, Kinfuck, 5th November—Sumatra.	
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## Vessels in Port.

Aki Maru, Jap. s.s., 3,995, Ekstrand, 3rd Nov.,—Shanghai 31st Oct., Flour and Coal.—N. Y. K.	
Amara, Br. s.s., 1,566, Matlock, 2nd Nov.,—Java 22nd Oct., Sugar.—J. M. & Co.	
An Pho, Br. s.s., 966, Thomson, 4th Nov.,—Saigon 19th Oct., Rice and Meal.—B. & S.	
Atholl, Br. s.s., 3,031, Watt, 28th Oct.,—Sourabaya 10th Oct., Besockie 15th, Tagal 17th, and Cheribon 19th, Sugar.—C. C. S. Co.	
Ching Wo, Br. s.s., 2,517, Parkinson, 24th Oct.,—San Francisco and Pakhoi 20th Oct., Gen.—C. C. S. Co.	
Chowla, Ger. s.s., 1,115, Textor, 3rd Nov.,—Bangkok 26th Oct., Rice and Wood.—B. & S.	
Claverling, Br. s.s., 2,155, Barton, 4th Nov.,—Moji 30th Oct., Coals.—Samuel & Samuel.	
Doric, Br. s.s., 4,075, Smith, R.N., 5th Nov.,—San Francisco 7th Oct., via Honolulu 14th, Yokohama 27th, Kobe 28th, Nagasaki 30th, and Shanghai (O. O. S. S. Co.) Mails and Gen.—O. O. S. S. Co.	
Dr. Hans Jerg Kier, Norw. s.s., 691, Larsen, 23rd Oct.,—Manila 17th Oct., Ballast.—E. A. T. Co.	
Elg, Norw. s.s., 738, Christophersen, 4th Nov.,—Chefoo 29th Oct., Gen.—C. & Co.	
Empress of India, Br. s.s., 3,003, Marshall, 27th Oct.,—Vancouver 5th Oct., and Shanghai 24th, Mails and Gen.—C. P. R. Co.	
Glenogle, Br. s.s., 2,399, Warner, 4th Nov.,—Singapore 29th Oct., Gen.—Gee Shun.	
Hinsang, Br. s.s., 1,536, Sawyer, 30th Oct.,—Cebu (Java), 20th Oct., Sugar.—J. M. & Co.	
Hopsang, Br. s.s., 1,549, Hay, 5th Nov.,—Hongay 3rd Nov., Coal.—J. M. & Co.	
Ischia, Ital. s.s., 2,784, Magazzini, 4th Nov.,—Bombay 17th Oct., and Singapore 23th, Gen.—C. & Co.	
Karin, Swed. s.s., 678, Pettersen, 5th Nov.,—Canton 4th Nov., Gen.—S. W. & Co.	
Loosok, Ger. s.s., 1,031, Schur, 26th Oct.,—Bangkok and Koh-si-chang 16th Oct., Rice and Wood.—B. & S.	
Maria Rickmers, Ger. s.s., 1,017, Bandelin, 2nd Nov.,—Bangkok via Hoihow 25th Oct., Gen.—A. K. & Co.	
Mongkut, Ger. s.s., 859, Götsche, 8th Oct.,—Bangkok 1st Oct., Rice and Timber.—B. & S.	
Namsang, Br. s.s., 2,591, Payne, 2nd Nov.,—Canton 17th Oct., Penang 22nd, and Singapore 27th, Gen.—J. M. & Co.	
Oscar II, Norw. s.s., 2,002, Olsen, 4th Nov.,—Kuchino 23rd Oct., Coal.—M. B. K.	
Pelayo, Br. s.s., 1,100, Pryn, 4th Nov.,—Sumatra 23rd Oct., and Singapore 26th, Kerosine.—Mr. McBain.	
Petrarch, Ger. s.s., 1,251, Ahrens, 11th Oct.,—Sourabaya 30th Sept., Sugar.—S. W. & Co.	
Prima, Norw. s.s., 761, Meyer, 18th Oct.,—Rajang, (Borneo) 11th Oct., Timber and Firewood.—S. W. & Co.	
Progress, Ger. s.s., 687, Bremer, 5th Nov.,—Quinhon 29th Oct., and Hoihow 4th, Gen.—S. & Co.	
Prosper, Norw. s.s., 789, Christiansen, 25th Oct.,—Manila 22nd Oct., Ballast.—S. W. & Co.	
Salamanca, Br. s.s., 2,784, Scott, 27th Oct.,—Singapore 19th Oct., Gen.—B. & S.	
Sencor, Br. s.s., 1,915, Beagar, 4th Nov.,—Yokohama 20th Oct., Gen.—S. W. & Co.	
S-moggan, Dut. s.s., 1,200, Toll, 2nd Nov.,—Singapore 24th Oct., Sugar.—Order.	
Tai Lee, Ger. s.s., 828, Michelsen, 4th Nov.,—Swatow 3rd Nov., Ballast.—Meyer & Co.	
Telemachus, Br. s.s., 1,342, Williamson, 25th Oct.,—Saigon 18th Oct., Rice, Meal and Gen.—Nam Wo & Co.	
Victoria, Swed. s.s., 988, Hermansen, 27th Oct.,—Sourabaya 20th Oct., Sugar.—S. W. & Co.	
Yuensang, Br. s.s., 1,128, Payne, 5th Nov.,—Manila, P.I., 2nd Nov., Gen.—J. M. & Co.	
Zafiro, Br. s.s., 1,611, Rodger, 3rd Nov.,—Manila 31st Oct., Hemp.—S. T. & Co.	

## SAILING VESSELS.

Brilliant, Br. bq, 3,609, Cowlishaw, 23rd Oct.,—Shanghai 16th Oct., Gen.—S. O. Co.	
Helena Wyman, Am. bq, 1,521, Vanhon, 10th Aug.,—Singapore 1st Aug., Ballast.—Master.	
Lillebonne, Am. sch, 708, Finnen, 6th Oct.,—Manila 18th Sept., Ballast.—D. & Co., Ltd.	
Paul Rivers, Am. bq, 1,640, Whittier, 11th Oct.,—Manila 3rd Oct., Ballast.—Master.	
Rose, Br. bq, 793, Faw, 7th Oct.,—Fremantle 20th Aug., Sandalwood.—S. & Co.	

## Hongkong &amp; Whampoa Dock Returns.

Dr. H. J. Kier	at Kowloon Dock
Empress of India	"
Chuen Tiao	"
Taiac	"
Hercules	"
Lillebonne	"
Salamanca	Cosmopolitan
Doric	"

## Post Office.

## A Mail will close for—

Canton—Per Hongan, 7th Nov., 9 A.M.	
Amoy and Manila—Per Zafiro, 7th Nov., 9 A.M.	
Amoy—Per Simangan, 7th Nov., 9 A.M.	
Moji, Kobe, Yokohama, Manzanillo, Mexico and San Francisco—Per Ching Wo, 7th Nov., 10 A.M.	
Europe, &c., India, via Tutuicoria—Per Bengal, 7th Nov., 11 A.M.	
Macao—Per Hingang, 7th Nov., 1.15 P.M.	
Swatow—Per Hoihow, 7th Nov., 2 P.M.	
Amoy and Manila—Per Yuensang, 7th Nov., 3 P.M.	
Shanghai—Per Hingang, 7th Nov., 4 P.M.	
Hoihow and Pakhoi—Per Hoihow, 7th Nov., 4 P.M.	
Canton—Per Powan, 8th Nov., 9 A.M.	
Namtau—Per Taichun, 8th Nov., 9 A.M.	
Sanbue—Per Hoi Fu, 8th Nov., 9 A.M.	
Macao—Per Wingchai, 8th Nov., 9 A.M.	
Chaoai, 8th Nov., 9 A.M.	
Tientsin—Per Kwangang, 9th Nov., 9 A.M.	
Canton—Per Kinsan, 9th Nov., 9 A.M.	
Macao—Per Fatsan, 9th Nov., 9 A.M.	
Canton—Per Hingang, 9th Nov., 9 A.M.	
Namtau—Per Taichun, 9th Nov., 9 A.M.	
Sanbue—Per Hoi Fu, 9th Nov., 9 A.M.	
Macao—Per Wingchai, 9th Nov., 9 A.M.	
Canton—Per Hoihow, 10th Nov., 7.30 A.M.	
Manila—Per Roshilla Maru, 10th Nov., 10 A.M.	
Shanghai and Dalny—Per Ningpo, 10th Nov., 4 P.M.	
Sanbue—Per Hoi Fu, 10th Nov., 5 P.M.	
Namtau—Per Taichun, 10th Nov., 5 P.M.	
Canton—Per Powan, 10th Nov., 5 P.M.	
Macao—Per Wingchai, 10th Nov., 5 P.M.	
Canton—Per Kinsan, 10th Nov., 5 P.M.	
Singapore, Penang and Calcutta—Per Namtau, 10th Nov., 11 A.M.	
Manila—Per Sungkiang, 11th Nov., 3 P.M.	
Canton—Per Kinsan, 11th Nov., 5 P.M.	
Namtau—Per Taichun, 11th Nov., 5 P.M.	
Macao—Per Wingchai, 11th Nov., 5 P.M.	
Sanbue—Per Hoi Fu, 11th Nov., 5 P.M.	
Canton—Per Hingang, 12th Nov., 7.30 A.M.	
Europe, &c., India, via Tutuicoria—Per Preussen, 12th Nov., 11 A.M.	
Canton—Per Powan, 12th Nov., 5 P.M.	
Namtau—Per Taichun, 12th Nov., 5 P.M.	
Sanbue—Per Hoi Fu, 12th Nov., 5 P.M.	
Macao—Per Wingchai, 12th Nov., 5 P.M.	
Canton—Per Kinsan, 13th Nov., 7.30 A.M.	
Straits and Bombay—Per Ischia, 13th Nov., 11 A.M.	
Kobe—Per Chungsha, 13th Nov., 3 P.M.	
Kobe, Nagasaki and Vladivostok—Per Kowloon, 13th Nov., 4 P.M.	
Canton—Per Powan, 13th Nov., 5 P.M.	
Namtau—Per Taichun, 13th Nov., 5 P.M.	
Sanbue—Per Hoi Fu, 13th Nov., 5 P.M.	
Macao—Per Wingchai, 13th Nov., 5 P.M.	
Canton—Per Hingang, 14th Nov., 7.30 A.M.	
Manila—Per Kubi, 14th Nov., 9 A.M.	
Moji, Kobe, Yokohama, Victoria, (B.C.) and Tacoma—Per Shawmut, 14th Nov., 11 A.M.	
Namtau—Per Taichun, 14th Nov., 5 P.M.	
Sanbue—Per Hoi Fu, 14th Nov., 5 P.M.	
Macao—Per Wingchai, 14th Nov., 5 P.M.	
Europe, &c., India, via Tutuicoria—Per Australia, 17th Nov., 11 A.M.	
Manila, Port Darwin, Thursday Island, Cooktown, Cairns, Townsville, Brisbane, Sydney and Melbourne—Per Tsinan, 17th Nov., 3 P.M.	
Shanghai, Nagasaki, Kobe, Yokohama, Victoria and Vancouver, B.C.—Per Empress of India, 18th Nov., 11 A.M.	
Shanghai, Nagasaki, Kobe, Yokohama, Victoria and Vancouver, B.C.—Per Empress of Japan, 16th Dec., 11 A.M.	

**XMAS AND NEW YEAR PARCELS** (via Gibraltar) Parcels for United Kingdom posted before 3 p.m. on Friday, the 6th November, are due in London about the 12th December, and those posted before 3 p.m. on Friday, the 20th November, are due in London about the 26th December.

The following postage will be collected:—  
For a Parcel not exceeding 3 lbs. in weight 50 cts.  
" " " 7 lbs. " \$1.00  
" " " 11 lbs. " \$1.50

With an additional 50 cents Parcels may be sent via Brindisi and if posted before 3 p.m. on Friday, the 20th November, are due in London about the 20th December, and those posted before 3 p.m. on Friday, the 4th December, are due in London about the 3rd January, 1904.

All Parcels containing Jewellery or any article of Gold or Silver must be insured, and all insured Parcels must be sealed. The seals must bear the impression of a private mark.

Senders of Parcels are requested to post them a few days in advance.

## VISITORS AT THE HOTELS.

KOWLOON.	
Bencke, G. E.	Shibb, C.
Cunningham, C. W.	Thomas, Claude, F.
Harrison, W. B.	Travers, J. L.
Manington, G.	Watson, J. H.
Musgrave, Mrs.	Wiley, Dr.

## HONGKONG.

Alarick, G. A.	Kempfer, E.
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Barrett, H.	Legg, E. A.
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